

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed October 6, 2003. Allowance of the application and presently pending claims 20-38 is respectfully requested.

1. Present Status of Patent Application

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 20-38 remain pending in the present application, with claims 29-34 being currently amended. It is believed that the foregoing amendments add no new matter to the present application.

2. Allowed Claims

Claims 20-28 are allowed.

3. Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 29-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for allegedly failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Claims 29-34 are amended as shown above to clarify the scope of the claimed invention. Claims 35-38 are indirectly amended since each of the claims 35-38 depends directly or indirectly from an amended claim. Examples of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh transistors set forth in claims 29-38 are shown in FIG. 2 as transistors M3, M4, M1, M2, Q3, and Q2, respectively. Therefore, claims 29-38, as amended, are allowable because they particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments, and for at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that all rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the pending claims 20-38 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby court-eously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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